

What a beautiful picture! Located somewhere out west, in monument valley or its vicinity, I think. Dawn is the beginning of a new day, with its myriad possibilities. I wonder, what do you think about when you see a sunrise? When I saw this picture, I thought of two things; first a blessing upon the newborn John the baptist and the prediction of his ministry as a forerunner of Jesus and Jesus himself as the light of the world, shining truth, knowledge and direction to all who would come to God for salvation. The Bible says...

## Luke 1 (World English Bible)

- And you, child, will be called a prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways,
- 77 to give knowledge of salvation to his people by the remission of their sins,
- because of the tender mercy of our God, whereby the dawn from on high will visit us,
- 79 to shine on those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death; to guide our feet into the way of peace."

## John 8 (WEB)

12 Again, therefore, Jesus spoke to them, saying, "<u>I am the light of</u> the world. He who follows me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the light of life."

## 2 Corinthians 4 ( WEB )

<sup>1</sup> Therefore seeing we have this ministry, even as we obtained mercy, we don't faint.

- <sup>2</sup> But we have renounced the hidden things of shame, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully; but by the manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God.
- <sup>3</sup> Even if our Good News is veiled, it is veiled in those who perish;
- <sup>4</sup> in whom the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving, that the light of the Good News of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should not dawn on them.
- <sup>5</sup> For we don't preach ourselves, but Christ Jesus as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake;
- <sup>6</sup> seeing it is God who said, "Light will shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

God is light and in HIM is no darkness. With heavenly guidance HE guides us in our entire life. At first, though his Mosaic law and later through the life and teachings of Jesus.

Some people will simply not listen, because their hearts are hardened by sin and the deceptiveness of Satan. But to those who will listen and do the will of God- The blessings of HEAVEN will be theirs.

In truth "The dawn from on high" has visited us, but its up to us to see it. I wonder... What will you do with the light that God has given us through Jesus?